

It's started with a blue  
mark, it shows that your  
reputation is due (or will  
be at the end of this month)  
and must be paid at once or  
your Avalanche will be stop-  
ped.

# Cranford Avalanche

JUSTICE AND RIGHT

VOLUME FIFTY TWO

## This Week

By Arthur Brisbane

### How to Cure Anarchy

He and She Ran Away

Adopt, Adapt, Improve

Lindbergh Has a Statue

A boy of seventeen, calling himself a Cominista, appeared before Magistrate Sabatino, who said to him: "What you need is for me to have you in a two-by-four room. What I would do to you! I'd blacken your eyes and give you some real American spirit."

That you will admit is a perfect plan for discouraging the spirit of anarchy, which disregards established law and legal procedure.

In New Jersey the wife of a Baptist clergyman runs away with a chicken farmer, member of the congregation.

She advises her husband to get a divorce. The chicken farmer leaves directions for the care of chickens and his three children.

This is shocking news, but we should read it having in mind the great number of clergymen's wives and chicken farmers that stay faithfully at home, leading monotonous lives with little thanks to the clergymen's wives from the congregation and often few eggs for the chicken farmer from his hens.

Faithfulness is the rule and is never advertised.

The British know positively that a war doesn't pay. They face a "stump year" in industry. Losses in stocks, heavy taxation, labor in power, are some things that worry Britons that were rich and now feel poor.

Across the channel in France, on the other hand, everything is booming, nobody idle. And the French are persistently drawing on Britain's supply of gold.

New York's medical officer warns the world's richest, wettest city, "If you must drink, in this boozey state, do your drinking not more than five minutes away from a doctor."

Adopt, adapt, improve. Those three words, recommended by the prince of Wales to his fellow countrymen, might well be adopted, adapted, improved in this country.

British, and foreign citizens of Great Britain, said to British industrialists: "We British think we are very efficient, and we are at the head of the world in lots of things, but to keep in the van we must be conscious of that very valuable thing—the knowledge that we learn something new every day. To put it in three words: We must learn to adopt, to adapt and to improve."

We Americans think we are very efficient. In fact, we are absolutely sure of it. But we do not always "adopt, adapt, improve."

For instance, railroad managers of the United States stood looking doing nothing while automobile omnibuses and trucks took away some of their most profitable business.

They woke up late to that situation, and they are not thoroughly awake yet.

St. Louis wants to erect a statue to Lindbergh. It is unnecessary; it is too soon; and who in the country could afford it good enough except MacMonnies, and he, for the time, has given up sculpture.

Lindbergh possesses now a somewhat sufficient picture in every American mind of a youth sitting in a small box with wings, leaving New York alone, crossing the ocean from New York to Paris.

When you have that kind of moun-  
ment you don't need anything of mar-  
ble or bronze.

Helen Wills, good California girl, is now Mrs. Frederick S. Moody, Jr. He is a Californian also.

That wedding interests Americans, all fond of Helen Wills and proud of her. It also interests eugenists, who believe that a super-race could be built up by proper marriage selection.

Fortunately, they are wrong about that.

A super-race is being produced, not as basis of breeding horses or dogs, but produced by intense affection and consipation, which more than anything else decides the qualities of the child.

For other details read the first chapter of "Tristam Shandy."

"Fly, Red Eagle of the Tyrol," is the name of a German play. Italy wants a scene changed in which a youth of German blood tells how Italian-gendarmes shot his mother.

Germany will oblige: the play will be toned down.

The incident is interesting because applause that greets the play and its patriotic utterances shows how easily a new war could start, once the nations get their breath.

Criticising installment payments for automobiles and other expensive units has gone by. Without such payments industries would dwindle.

The wise man, knowing that he will live forever, pays for a thing and enjoys it at the same time.

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## JOE DERMODY DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

WAS ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF TOURIST ASSN.

Although Joe Dermody had been ill for several weeks, but few in the state knew it and the announcement of his death last week Tuesday afternoon—Dec. 24th—came as a shock to his friends. Even at this time it is hard to believe that we are not to meet him again and enjoy, as we have for several years past, his fine and interesting companionship.

The following report was taken from the Bay City Times:

"Joe Dermody, publicity director of the East Michigan Tourist Association, died at his home in Bay City Tuesday afternoon.

"The whole of Northeastern Michigan was shocked Christmas morning when word came announcing the death of Joseph A. Dermody, publicity director of the East Michigan Tourist Association, which occurred at his home in Bay City, Tuesday afternoon. He was taken ill about five weeks ago when he contracted influenza. Later pneumonia and other complications developed. He rallied from their attack and about two weeks ago was able to set up in bed. His strength sapped through the rigors of illness, he was able to remain up but a few days when his heart and nervous system started to weaken.

"For the past 10 days he had been in bed constantly until his death shortly after noon.

"Mr. Dermody was one of the state's most capable journalists; having written for many newspapers and periodicals under the by-line of Joe Dermody. This was particularly true after he associated with the tourist body whose work he spread from one coast to the other with long articles about the abounding beauties of northeastern Michigan. His enthusiasm in this work was manifested not only through his stories but through his after dinner addresses which were unexcelled for colorful expressions and masterful presentation.

"Mr. Dermody was 47 years old, having been born at Spencer, Mass., April 7, 1882. After being graduated from the public high school of his home town of Spencer, Mr. Dermody spent the next four years as a student at Galesburg State Normal School at Worcester, Mass., where he was a member of the Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity.

"Mr. Dermody was married in New York City in 1910 to Miss Daisy E. Brown, of Gardner, Mass., who survives him. Other survivors include his father, James J., of Staten Island, N. Y., and there brothers, F. B., also of Staten Island, N. Y., Charles J., of Providence, R. I., and John M., of New York City, who has been with his brother for the past 10 days.

"Mr. Dermody was a past grand knight of the Bay City council of Knights of Columbus and it was during his regime that the club's pretentious home on Center avenue was purchased. For the past two years he has been advocate of the council.

"He was a member of St. James parish and vice president of the Kiwanis club."

For many years Mr. Dermody had been coming to Grayling and his visits here were always welcome and greatly enjoyed by his friends. He has spoken a number of times before meetings of our Board of Trade and is very well known in Grayling. A



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OSCAR P. SCHUMANN, Editor and Proprietor

NUMBER 1

## NEWS & COMMENTS FROM WASHINGTON

### TRIBUTE TO MERCY HOSPITAL

Deep respect, boundless admiration and sincere lasting gratitude for services cheerfully rendered compels me to write this tribute.

My days at this home of REAL

Mercy are drawing to a close and as thoughts of farewell saying strike me, a lump rises in my throat and my eyes are clouded by mists of sorrow.

Would that I could remain here forever in this "home by the side of

the road" where all men are alike

and intolerance is a stranger.

An indefinable but ineffably sweet

and sacred spirit seems to have cast

a mantle of protection about this

place, shutting out all the sordidness,

misery, unhappiness and worry of a

hurting sun-drenched world, leaving us

as we have been here.

Father Time plodded his westward

journey at the stroke of twelve bells

Tuesday night at the school gym-

nasium, while the cherub of 1930

made its debut into the world. This

was the signal for pandemonium and

it broke loose with a vengeance as Verne Smith, Midland; Misses Ber-

whistles and noisemakers, confetti

and streamers were much in evidence.

Many finished the last wailing hours

of the year 1929 on the dance floor

only to more lively than before trip

the hospital staff as Father Time and Jeane Brady as 1930 did their parts

exceptionally well.

The hostesses of the evening were

the alumnae of Mercy Hospital nurses

training school, and those who are

now in training. The young ladies

worked hard to make the affair a suc-

cessful one.

These three Sisters of REAL Mercy, of

the nurses and splendid doctors are as un-

ceasing and constant as the sun in

its journey through the universe.

Though gray as the winter heavens,

the world lies before me, I feel and

know that I shall leave this home a better man, better in every sense of

the word, and the more able because

of new hope to combat the hardships

of a lonely life.

May God bless these Sisters, nurses

and doctors and may his angels guard

and protect them alway.

CHAS. W. MONTROSE.

### THE SPIRIT OF GRAYLING"

Within the next two weeks, a two

reel motion picture production pro-

duced by Chas. W. Montrose and en-

titled "The Spirit of Grayling" will

get under way.

The scenario and continuity for this

picture is now being prepared.

To describe the picture best would be to

say that it is a play of winter sports,

full of rip-roaring action, joy and

laughter, a tinge of pathos and

tear-jaw, a touch of tenderness and

love.

Upon the successful completion of

the picture it will be given to the

Mercy Hospital of this town and at

tempts will be made to either sell or

rent it on a percentage basis through

a large distributing corporation for

the benefit of this hospital.

Much local talent is needed in this

production and all those young or old

who have the interest of Grayling at

heart and wish to support the great

est asset of this community, for the

sole benefit of the Mercy Hospital,

please come forward and leave your

name at the office of the Crawford

Avalanche.

CHAS. W. MONTROSE.

### ROBERT E. LEE SUBJECT OF NEXT HEROES OF THE WORLD BROADCAST

The bitterest hour in the life of

Robert E. Lee will be featured dur-

ing the Durant radio hour.

The crisis when he was forced to decide

between the country he loved, in

whose army he had been an officer

for over thirty years, and his native

state, Virginia, which he also loved,

will be dramatically re-enacted for

radio listeners in the Heroes of the

World program presented Sunday,

January 5, at 7:00 p. m.—Eastern

Standard time, by the National

Broadcasting Company, over WEAF

and a network of 87 affiliated sta-

tions.

The program is the thirteenth of

the series featuring important epis-

odes in the lives of great men of

history in a way designed to leave

an indelible impression on the mind

of the listener.

At the close of the program A. I.



1930...

Let us hope  
that it will be  
the BIGGEST  
and BEST in

Grayling's history.



## CRAWFORD AVALANCHE

P. Schumann, Owner and Publ. foundation for a good character and self control.

Entered as Second Class Matter at the Postoffice, Grayling, Mich., under the Act of Congress of March 3, 1919.



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Three Months	.50
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THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1930

## Health News

YES, I KNOW I SHOULD DO IT BUT—

Are you one of the mothers who follows the easiest way and dodge your responsibility as a mother by answering all suggestions regarding the care of your child in the old, old way? "I know I should do it, but?"

Hundreds of Michigan mothers are evading their duty by saying:

"Yes, I know I should give him green vegetables but he won't eat them."

"Yes, I know I should have him take a rest in the afternoon but he won't stay still a minute."

"Yes, I know I should put him to bed earlier but he wants to stay up as long as we do." Or "The other children stay up late and the baby won't go to bed until they do."

"Yes, I know I should give him coffee but he cries for it" or "we drink it and can't refuse him" or "he loves it so."

"Yes, I know I should give him milk but he does not like it" or "he wouldn't take milk after he gave up the bottle."

"Yes, I know I should break him of sucking his thumb but he just won't stop."

The list of "buts" is long and practically everything that a child should not do in order to build a strong body may be followed by a "but he won't."

The cause of these "buts" does not lie with the child; the parents, especially the mother, must shoulder all responsibility for allowing buts to develop the child's life.

The prevention of "buts" is easier than the cure. The cure for "buts" is for the parents to face squarely the fact that they are allowing the child to decide important issues regarding his health because the child is unable to decide wisely he is developing health habits which will cause him to grow up to be a defective child. In after years the child will reproach his parents because they failed in doing their duty towards him and instead by helping build a strong body, placed upon him the great responsibility of deciding what he should do or should not do.

A child of 18 months, two or three or four or six years of age is NOT capable of deciding what is best for himself. But every day parents allow children of this tender age to definitely decide what course they are going to follow in building their bodies. If the good Lord had thought little children were able to do and control their lives, surely some other arrangement other than parents to care for them would probably have been made.

The weakness of the parents in allowing children to do as they please and decide about their health habits not only injures them physically but also injures them morally and spiritually. A child who from babyhood has done as he pleases will grow into an undisciplined adult who will be a law unto himself and will be unable to adjust himself to the law of society. He will be selfish and intemperate, difficult to live with and will not be able to get along with other people. Instead of normal, healthy adult who will be able to live comfortably with others, he will be a sickly, disagreeable, discontented, self-centered person whom others will avoid ton (Ohio) News.

The annual catch of fish in American waters is 3,000,000,000 pounds, and these figures don't include the big ones caught in Wall Street—Day.

A Canadian who has been around the world eight times has just been as I am because my mother let me married. He will soon be convinced that he didn't know anything till now, in spite of his travels.

The prevention of the "buts" is to start the day the child is born in within a few months feminine knee breeches will be attracting attention again, breeches were not only give him a much greater new spirit we are to prove body but will also lay the forget.

With long skirts coming back,

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## Hawkeyes Elect Captain



Marcus Magnusson, center, who was elected joint captain of the Hawkeyes eleven with Mike Farrah, halfback. The latter was hit by the eligibility ruling four hours after the election. The ruling, which banned 22 athletes (according to the demands of the Big Ten conference) leaves Magnusson the captain, virtually by the process of elimination. The center is a cousin of Bert Ingwersen, head football coach at Iowa.

## She's a Real Tar



Funeral services for Vernon M. Gorman, who died at Seattle, Washington, Monday, December 23, of illness caused by being gassed during the World War, were held Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock in the American Legion Hall here under the auspices of Grayling Post No. 106. Members acted as pallbearers and Chaplain Giegling read the usual Legion ritual. Rev. Greenwood officiated and interment was in Elmwood cemetery.

Funeral services with full military honors were held for him by Roosevelt Post American Legion at Seattle before the body was sent east. He was a member of the Sunset Division and served eighteen months overseas. During the time he was injured at Belleau Woods and was in Belvoir Hospital for six months at which time he was not expected to recover. After the Armistice was signed he returned home in April, 1919.

Mr. Gorman was born in Hillman, Michigan, January 17, 1892. He is survived by his wife Stella, of Seattle; father, Maurice M. Gorman; five brothers, Maurice of this city; Frank, Orien and John of Muskegon; and Arthur of East Jordan; five sisters, Mrs. Joseph C. Conway; Misses Fred C. Vogle, Flint; Misses Adele and Melvina of East Jordan, all of whom were in attendance at the services in Grayling.

## MERCY HOSPITAL NOTES

Misses Nina Fleming, and Retta Leadbeater of the Nurses Training School, are spending a few days at their homes in Vanderbil.

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## THE PUBLIC WILL CONTROL

How long will the public stand for abuse of the air as an advertising medium?

Those who listen to radio programs realize that they are made possible through their advertising service. No one objects to the discreet use of advertising on the air. However, as the dials are turned and in one place coffee is offered, in another place silk stockings are for sale and in another, candy is the article merchandised, there is complete disgust.

Recent reports to the federal government indicate that most of the radio stations are now operating at a reasonable profit. The losses which most of them incurred a year and two years ago have been eliminated. There should be no profit, except that which is sufficient to maintain service and equipment to any radio station. As a radio station becomes strong financially its first task should be to draw very strict rules concerning the use of advertising.

If they do not, the public will rise up and control or entirely abolish the privately owned station.—Grand Rapids (Minn.) Herald-Review.

## TRAPPERS MUST REPORT

Pelt reports from trappers throughout the state are now being received by the Department of Conservation, and will continue to be received until all open seasons for fur-bearing animals are closed.

All trappers are compelled, under a statute adopted by the 1929 legislature to submit a report of pelt on hand, within five days of the close of the respective seasons.

Blank forms for submitting these reports may be obtained from any conservation officer. The forms provide space for listing pelts of bear, deer, muskrat, and raccoon. In reports trappers must give their license number.

A woman prefers a husband taller than herself so that she can pretend to look up to him.—Chicago News.

## FOR THE NEW YEAR

At this season of the year, when the making of resolutions is a subject close to the heart of most everyone, a few pledges suggested by the Michigan Tuberculosis Association are singularly appropriate. What comes closer to happiness than health? And what is more true than the fact that health, in nine cases out of ten, is lost or preserved as the individual himself guards it?

All of us might therefore consider with profit, the proposed resolutions and resemble as they may the words of a child's copy book, we might remember in considering them that a child's rosy health comes through good food, long hours of sleep, plenty of out-of-doors play, and frequent medical and dental attention.

If you would enjoy a child's good health, then promise yourself to: Secure an annual medical examination.

Get plenty of outdoor exercise, in winter as well as summer.

Sleep eight hours each night in a well ventilated room.

Eat slowly wholesome and digestible food.

Visit the dentist at least once a year.

Always eat work and play in moderation.

## MISTAKEN IDENTITY

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK  
Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

It is flattering for any academic person like myself, for instance, to be mistaken for some one of real importance, or even for a representative of some outstanding business or profession. Sometimes when I am traveling a stranger stops me and inquires what line I am carrying.

It gives a mere college official a complimentary sense of

satisfaction to be taken for a business man. Once I was said, by a man who

must have been nearsighted, to resemble a successful railroad president, and I walked with more than ordinary dignity for a week at least.

It is not so pleasant when passing strangers see in us a resemblance to some one more commonplace than we are wont to consider ourselves. One can stand being mistaken for the president of the institution, but when one is asked by a confused visitor if he is the head janitor, pride suddenly turns a flip-flop.

I was walking down the street on which I live one day after office hours, when a young fellow caught up with me and accosted me.

"Have I seen you some place before?" he inquired, looking me over with a searching glance.

"It is possible," I admitted. "I have been in other places."

We walked on. The young man's curiosity not satisfied. Finally he gave me another appraising glance and said:

"Are you the cashier at Ernie's restaurant?"

I assured him that I had never had any real business experience.

The doctor on the Venture who really holds a rank equal to that of the first mate was leaning back in his chair in a most impressive way when a young boy came running up to him.

"Are you the deck steward?" he inquired eagerly.

"No," the doctor replied, angrily.

"Do you know where he is?"

"I do not, and I don't care," the dignified official replied shortly—for, you see, the doctor is as important officially upon a trans-ocean passenger ship, and the deck steward, in spite of the gratuities he receives, is a person of humble station. It is humiliating for anyone to be taken for some one of less importance than himself, but much more for a ship doctor who holds himself of great importance.

"Children these days are not taught respect for anyone or anything," he confided to me when the searcher for the deck steward had passed on.

It may be so, but I wondered what the man's reaction would have been had the youth mistaken him for the captain. I suspect he would have drawn the conclusion, which is not far from the truth if the truth were told, that the youth of today is very discriminating, sees through subterfuge and recognizes real worth when he sees it.

At one time or another most of us like to feel that we are something else than what we really are—youth or wiser or more prominent or at least deserving of more prominence, and when some stranger seems to see in us these qualities and confirms our opinion, we are flattered and pleased

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## TOOK SODA FOR STOMACH FOR 20 YEARS

"For 20 years I took soda for indigestion and stomach gas. Then I tried Adlerika. One bottle brought complete relief!"—John B. Hardy.

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## HINTS ON HANDLING DAIRY SIRE SAFELY

## Should Be Kept in "Bull-Tight" Pen and Given Freedom of Roomy Paddock.

Care in handling the dairy sire practically eliminates the danger factor, says the Blue Valley Creamery Institute in offering a few suggestions on the care and handling of one of the most abused animals on the average dairy farm.

It is poor practice to allow the sire to run free with the herd. Cows should be bred to freshen at certain times of the year and this is impossible unless the sire is kept out of the herd. Every sire should be kept in a special "bull-tight" pen and be allowed the freedom of a roomy paddock, winter and summer. A large, strong, well-made barrel or keg, or a sizable section of a large log or tree trunk hung by a heavy chain from a 4 by 4 beam set between two tall posts, or a rounded tree stump, if nothing else is available, should be provided in the bull's paddock as a

plaything for him to butt around and to use in exercising himself. The best paddock that can be built for a sire is one made with used but strong, heavy iron or steel pipes running from post to post.

Every sire should have a ring through his nose and, for safety's sake, every mature animal should always be handled by two strong men, one holding the staff and the other holding a strong rope, both of which are attached to the ring shown in the accompanying illustration. The secret of handling a vicious animal is in holding the end of the bull staff inserted through the nose ring so high that the animal cannot lower its head.

Rarely ever does a bull get enough exercise to keep his feet worn down. This is especially true with mature animals and it is, therefore, necessary to keep the feet and dew-claws trimmed. A wooden mallet, a sharp chisel and a hoof-trimming tool such as blacksmiths use can be used for this operation.

Plenty of water, salt, legume hay and enough of good grain mixture to keep him in fair flesh, but not fat, will take care of the sire's feed needs. Good food, exercise, a chance to "rough around" a little, attention to the feet, clean quarters where he will not live in prison-like monotony and energetic handling will add years to the dairy sire's usefulness.

## R'member

## HOW YOU USED TO QUARREL WITH THE LITTLE GIRL NEXT DOOR

## AND YOU'RE STILL BATTING WITH HER



## OIL OPERATORS WASTEFUL MIDLAND FIELD SANELY OPERATED

## Poetic Similarity of River and Human Life

The state reports oil field conditions to be as follows:

Although there are now but two extensively operated oil fields in Michigan—the Mt. Pleasant and the Muskegon, conditions would indicate that others just as large, if not larger, will be developed in the future in the State.

This is the belief of R. A. Smith, state geologist whose division is in the Department of Conservation supervises the oil fields of the State.

From small beginnings in oil production in the vicinity of Port Huron years ago oil production grew in the Saginaw region then the Muskegon district and now the Mt. Pleasant fields which are growing rapidly in importance.

Mr. Smith does not believe that oil production in the state has reached its climax.

For more than 20 years oil was produced from several wells at Port Huron. The field was small, but it was only necessary to drill 600 feet and the wells paid to operate. The oil was used in making lubricants.

However, the field was well within the city limits and property became more valuable for building and now residences cover the fields.

The near discovery of the Saginaw field occurred in 1912-13, when ten wells were drilled around the point without its being discovered. In 1925, however, some Saginaw men drilled a well directly over the so-called Saginaw antennae and discovered the field. Some 225 wells were drilled, but the initial production of most of them ranged between 15 and 30 barrels a day. There were two wells that had initial production of 200 and 500 barrels a day, respectively.

Unfortunately, Mr. Smith said, the field was in a platted territory and there was much lot drilling with much injury to the field and the decline was rapid. In one block five wells were drilled when one well to two blocks were ample, he said.

In December, 1927, the discovery well of the Muskegon field was drilled. Again the field, adjacent to the North Muskegon was on much platted land. There was a resulting orgy of over-drilling. In some cases, there were two wells to an acre where one well to 8 or 10 acres would have been ample. The orgy of drilling brought so much gas to the surface before there was time to develop a market or even to build pipe lines to Muskegon, a mile distant, that the producer blew the gas into the air to obtain the oil below. The Muskegon field, though not large, had an abundance of gas and many of the wells were very productive. The initial production of a number ranged from 1,000 to 2,000 barrels or more a day. The blowing and wasting of the gas resulted in the destruction of a number of the wells. It resulted in a rapid decline of gas pressure and a corresponding decline in production, so that in about 18 months practically all of the wells had ceased to flow and had to put on pumps. There were no laws or regulations which could be used to stop the wastage of gas or the over-drilling until it was too late to save the field. There are now about 800 producing wells in the field, but many have small production.

The field has long since passed the peak production, Mr. Smith said, and production is constantly declining.

There is, however, a possibility that deeper drilling will result in production from lower lying oil formations. Plans are under consideration for making one or more deep tests in the more favorable portions of the field.

The Mt. Pleasant field lying about 8 miles east and northeast of the city is in the territory where there are no platted subdivisions. Nearly all of the leases are 40 acres or more in size so the field has seen very sane, orderly and systematic development. There are between 70 and 75 wells with daily production of around 10,000 barrels. There are also about 10 rigs drilling. The oil formation is about 5,500 feet below the surface which means high drilling costs. The oil is high grade and operators apparently have recognized the senseless waste resulting from drilling unnecessary wells, he stated. The rule is one well to ten acres instead of one to two wells to an acre as was the case in portions of Saginaw, Port Huron, and Muskegon fields. This same drilling program will unquestionably result in much longer life and a high percentage of ultimate recovery of oil, Mr. Smith believes.

Operators, however, will need to watch the drilling and production costs because of the excessive depth of oil formations. There is every reason to believe that operators using good business and operating practices will obtain profitable results.

Wells are now being drilled in several new possible fields, especially in the vicinity of Clare, Deerfield in Monroe county, Williamson in Ingaham and in Newaygo county and in southwestern Michigan.

The umbrella, we read, is 170 years old. The figure must be wrong, as several people have left older umbrellas than that at our house—Springfield (Ohio) Sun.

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## Served His Purpose

An artist, painting in the open air, was startled to see a red-faced, perspiring motorist at his side. "Don't put another stroke to it!" urged the newcomer. "I'll give you five pounds for it as it stands."

"It is very kind of you," the artist stammered, "but it's not quite finished."

"Doesn't matter one jot," said the motorist, as he got his money out. "I only want the canvas to mend a burst tire."—Weekly Scotsman.

## The Calprit

"My dear," remarked Mr. Pitt, as he sat at breakfast one morning, "I think there was a burglar in the house last night."

"Why do you think that?" asked his loving wife.

"Well," said he, "I left a lot of money in my pockets before I went to bed last night, but there's none there now."

"That's your own fault," she replied snapily. "You should have put up and shot the person. If you hadn't been such a coward, you wouldn't have lost your money."

"Yes, perhaps you're right, my dear; but then I didn't want to become a widower."—London Weekly Telegraph.

## Looking Backward

There were some strange people in prehistoric Kentucky. Scientists in digging deep in Kentucky soil are said to have discovered evidence of two distinct groups of human beings existing in different ages and at different levels. One race buried its dead in stone chambers whilst another had granite altars for human sacrifices and buried their dead in pits of masonry. At any rate they seem to have had means of making fire, although they were here 10,000 years before cigar lighters were introduced. This is a rather startling sight older country than we think and men with shovels turn up many surprises.—Los Angeles Times.

## High Spots of a College Career

Gosauka; pigskin; sheepskin; Alice Beacon-Journal.

## WHOLESALE



## Rheumatism and Neuritis Ended By New Konjola

Famed Medicine Praised By Lady Who Now Is Free Of Painful Ailments



MRS. J. WARD

"A few bottles of Konjola have done for me what all other medicines I tried failed to do," said Mrs. J. Ward, 8760 Falcon street, Detroit, Mich. "I suffered from neuritis and rheumatism all over my body, and especially in my lower limbs. I also had terrible pains in my hips. Those awful pains caused me to lose a great deal of sleep and I became extremely nervous. My ankles were stiff and swollen, and I was bothered with constipation."

"Having heard so much about Konjola, I began using it. How glad I am that I did! This splendid medicine not only freed me from all aches and pains of those two dreadful ailments, but it regulated my bowels; increased my appetite and has given me new strength and energy. I certainly recommend Konjola to any one suffering as I did, and I would advise you to try it first."

Konjola is sold in Grayling at the Mac & Gidley drug store and by all the best druggists throughout this entire section.

With Senator Heflin barred from the official Democratic family and threatening to run independently it becomes evident that they are going to raise something more than cotton down in Alabama next fall.

When a woman wants to loaf she leaves her pocketbook at home—and goes shopping.—Chicago News.

## STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the Village of Grayling in said County, on the 16th day of December A. D. 1929,

Present: Hon. George Sorenson, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Samuel Dean, deceased.

Leonard Isenauer having filed in said court his petition praying that the administration and settlement of said estate be granted to said Leonard Isenauer or to some other suitable person.

It is ordered, that the 20th day of January A. D. 1930, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, once each week for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

GEORGE SORENSEN,  
Judge of Probate.

A true copy.

George Sorenson,  
Judge of Probate.

12-19-4

## The New Year Has Started

After the hustle and bustle of the holiday season this store is all set to begin the new year. Service is ever our watch-word, but in addition to that we shall use our best efforts to—

Play the game fairly and squarely;  
Give the worth of a dollar for a dollar;  
Extend cheerful co-operation under very trying conditions;  
Carry on in the face of difficulties;  
Do our best and sit tight;  
Pull for the betterment of our home institutions.

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## News Briefs

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1930

Frank Bromley is a guest at the Nels Corwin home.

Don't forget the Economy Store always has bargains.

Rasmus Rasmussen spent the Christmas holidays with relatives in Detroit and Flint.

Dr. and Mrs. J. C. McCann and little daughter of Bay City visited friends here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McInnis of Detroit were Christmas guests at the home of Roy Milnes.

Frank Brady of Saginaw was a guest at the John Brady and J. B. Callahan homes New Years.

Mrs. Bruce Hayes and son Bruce Jr. of Detroit are visiting at the Charles Adams home.

Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Wescott of Ypsilanti are guests of the latter's mother, Mrs. J. K. Hanson.

A West Branch lady was looking for her husband and inquired anxiously of the housemaid: "Do you happen to know anything about your master's whereabouts?" "I'm not sure, m'm," replied the domestic, "but I think they are in the wash."

When tired out, go home. When you want consolation, go home. When you want to show others that you have reformed, go home and let your family get acquainted with the fact. When you want to show yourself at your best, go home and do the act there. When you feel like being extra liberal, go home and practice on your wife and children first. When you want to shine with extra brilliancy, go home and light up the whole household.

## To Make Your Home Happy



—get away from the old-fashioned drudgery of doing your own baking. The modern way of a commercial bakery makes its products better than most that are made in the homes.

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GRAYLING, MICHIGAN

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OTHERS WILL WISH YOU MUCH HAPPINESS  
WE WISH YOU MUCH HOLINESS.

## The Pentecost Year

1800TH ANNIVERSARY      30 A. D.—1930 A. D.

### PENTECOST THEMES:

TIME: 10:30 A. M.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5      SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2  
Theme: "The roots of Christianity."

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9  
Theme: "Peter—the Rock".

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12      SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16  
Theme: "The soil from which the Church grew."

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23  
Theme: "Christ, the world's greatest conservationist."

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19      SUNDAY, MARCH 2  
Theme: "The Church—an organism, not an organization."

SUNDAY, MARCH 2  
Theme: "Evidence of vitality—Growth."

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26      Meats Aid Digestion  
Theme: "The dynamo of the church."

Food that is enjoyed is easily digested, 98 per cent of meat IS easily digested. We suggest these for good digestion and keen enjoyment:

**Roasts, Steaks, Chops**

Large Variety of COLD MEATS

**BURROWS' MARKET**

Phone 2

"We believe that our American civilization will fail only insofar as the character of the American people fails. We believe that the character of the American people will fail only insofar as we toss away our religious convictions. The Church stands to clarify and deepen RELIGIOUS CONVICTIONS."



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Evidently someone had found the purse, taken the money and put the purse back where it was found. Mrs. Schroeder said she feels as if she would gladly give the person who found the money half of the amount if they would return it. We are sorry to hear of Mrs. Schroeder's misfortune and we are sure the finder of this money will be well rewarded if they will do the right thing and return the money.

**BURROWS' MARKET**

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## NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

### Discord Among Senate Drys and Officials Over Law Enforcement

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

**D**ISSENSEION among the dry leaders of Congress and dissatisfaction with President Hoover's law enforcement commission marred the good will toward men that is supposed to characterize the Christmas session. United States District Judge Paul J. McCormick of Los Angeles, a member of the commission, who had been sitting on the federal bench in New York, started the fireworks when on his return home he found occasion to make some very caustic remarks concerning the prohibition problem.

"A man's home is his castle," said the jurist, "and the practice of entering it in the course of prohibition enforcement without legal procedure should be abolished."

The national commission, the judge said, already has determined that two major problems require immediate settlement: One is the solution of prohibition enforcement and the other is the removal of "governmental lawlessness" and restoration of constitutional rights to citizens.

"Speaking as an individual," Judge McCormick pronounced fanaticism one of the most serious enemies of prohibition. He said fanatics were to be found in the ranks of both wet and drys.

William J. Harris of Georgia, one of the leading drys in the Senate, was roused to immediate action and demanded that the President remove the Los Angeles jurist from the commission.

"Judge McCormick's statement shows that just what I feared was being done is being done," said Senator Harris. "It really is an encouragement to violators of the law and it shows Judge McCormick to be such a partisan against the prohibition enforcement law that, no matter how honest he may be, he is unlikely to hold office on the commission. Unless the commission stops its secret sessions and comes out in the open, its usefulness is impaired to such an extent that its report will be given no weight. The prohibition forces of the country will be greatly disappointed if the President does not remove this man, who has encouraged anti-prohibitionists as well as violators of the law."

Harris was joined by other Senate drys urging that Mr. Hoover ask the commission to make an early report on the liquor question. Senator Glass of Virginia wants to hear from the commission soon, but he does not think Judge McCormick should be removed from that body.

"I do not participate in Senator Harris' view of the matter at all," said Senator Glass. "It is not my idea that the commission was appointed to find out something that would please any particular group in congress, but was appointed to ascertain the facts, regardless of what conclusion the facts might signify."

If Judge McCormick or any other member of the commission as a whole has found out what Judge McCormick seems to imply, it is the business of such individual members of the commission and of the commission as a whole to report the result of his or its investigation without respect to whom it would please or displease. That was the purpose of the investigation and I am not going to join with anybody in calling for the resignation of any member of the commission merely because he may fail to find what I could have wished him to find."

Senator William E. Borah of Idaho, another dry leader, expressed the opinion that a report from the crime commission would be of little value in obtaining better dry law enforcement conditions. What is needed, he said, is an improvement in the personnel of enforcement officers.

"If the commission report," Borah said, "they will not tell us anything we do not know, either as to the law or as to the facts. We still will be back to the proposition that with the present personnel nothing will be accomplished."

This brought a sharp retort from Prohibition Commissioner James M. Doran, who declared that such a "sweeping condemnation" of the prohibition unit "is most unfortunate and bound to have a disintegrating effect upon the morale of the service."

"To say that prohibition cannot be enforced with the present personnel," the prohibition director added, "comes perilously near to saying that it cannot be enforced at all."

**O**NE more killing by prohibition enforcement agents marked Christmas day. Const. Guardsman at Buffalo, fatally shot Eugene F. Downey, Jr., son of a policeman, in a motor boat on the Niagara river. They declared he did not heed their signals to stop, but it was said they found no liquor in Downey's boat. The man was arrested recently in connection with liquor smuggling and was out on bail.

**C**HISTMAS joy at the White House was almost ruined by a fire that completely wrecked the interior of the executive office wing of the mansion. Mr. Hoover helped in the removal of his personal and business papers and then stood in the cold for two hours watching the firemen fighting the flames. The cause of the fire was found to be an overheated fireplace chimney in the office of Secretary Newton.

Lieut. Col. G. S. Gray III, director of public buildings and public parks, estimated the damage to be approximately \$100,000. The papers showed that although it was necessary to completely rebuild the structure, there was no irreparable damage.

Mr. Hoover was beaten by a child's party in the White House dining room. While the President and the other men present hurried out, Mrs. Hoover, in order not to frighten the children, had the Marine band strike up a lively air and then presided over the celebration without a hint of what was happening a few hundred feet away. On Christmas day there was a happy family party in the White House, followed by a dinner to members of the cabinet and their families.

**T**ERRIFIC gales with rain and cold carried disaster and death to the Atlantic coast of Europe from the Orkney Islands to Spain on Wednesday. The worst accident reported was the loss of the Norwegian steamer Aslaug near Vigo, Spain, with its entire crew of 21. Many other steamships were reported in trouble. One went aground near Blankenese, Germany, blocking the River Elbe, and two were driven on the rocks off Rouen, France.

**P**RESIDENT YRGOGYEN of Argentina narrowly escaped death at the hands of an assassin. Three bullets were fired at his car as he was on his way to his office in Buenos Aires, but none of them hit him, though his chief bodyguard was wounded. Police guards in another car opened fire on the assassin, killing him. He was identified as Guatierlo Marinel, a dental mechanician, but his motive was not discovered. The police decided he was not the agent of an organized band, though they have arrested a number of suspected anarchists. President Yrgoyen took the attempt on his life more calmly than anyone else, going on with his work as usual.

**S**ENATOR BORAH, chairman of the Senate foreign relations committee, and the United States Department of the Interior appealed to Russia for help in searching for Carl Rausch and Earl Borland in the wastes of Siberia, and the Soviet foreign office replied that an airplane had been dispatched to hunt for the two missing American aviators who failed to return to Alaska six weeks ago from a flight to aid an icebound fur ship. They are believed to have been forced down near North cape.

The foreign office announcement said also two other airplanes would be dispatched immediately to aid in the search for the airmen. Semenov-Shostakov, national air hero of Soviet Russia, since his flight from Moscow to New York, was selected to head the rescue expedition. Three powerful cabin planes and five experienced Canadian aviators were conveyed to Alaska from Seattle on a coast guard cutter to help in the search.

**G**EORGE RICO, military commander at Nogales, says, in a report to the Mexican government on the recent execution of Gen. Carlos Bouquet, that Bouquet made a signed statement that he had been commissioned by Jose Vasconcelos, defeated candidate for the presidency, who now is in the United States, to recruit revolutionaries on the Mexican Pacific coast and that he had gone to Nogales to receive orders, money and munitions from a revolutionary directorate established at Tucson, Ariz.

**I**RAVIN B. LAUGHLIN, our new ambassador to Spain, presented his credentials to King Alfonso on Tuesday, was introduced to the queen and exchanged formal calls with Premier Primo Rivera. He is now engaged in a long series of calls on government officials and the heads of all the other embassies and legations.

The King received the American ambassador in the uniform of a captain general, with red trousers, a blue coat and many decorations. He made a striking martial figure. The simple evening dress of Ambassador Laughlin and his staff was in contrast with the gorgeous uniforms of the Spanish court.

**O**RITZ RUBIO, president-elect of Mexico, visited Washington last week and was accorded all the honors due the head of a state during his three days' stay. He made a formal call at the White House, and President and Mrs. Hoover departed from long established precedents by returning the call at the Mexican embassy. On Friday Senior Ortiz Rubio and his wife were entertained at a state dinner at the White House.

**O**NE of the great disasters of the dying year, if measured by loss of life, was the foundering of the Chinese steamer Lee Cheong, plying between Hongkong and Swabue, in a heavy storm. Two hundred and fifty Chinese passengers perished, as did the members of the crew and 44 Indian guards. Only two men escaped, by clinging to a raft.

**W**AR in Manchuria between China and Soviet Russia appears to have come to an end. The foreign commissioner in Moscow announced that Stanovskiy and Tsai Yun-Sheen, plenipotentiaries of the Soviet union and Mukden governments, had signed a protocol at Habarovsk, Siberia, restoring the status quo ante on the Chinese Eastern railway and immediately restoring Soviet consulates and commercial organizations in the Soviet Far East.

It was stated that peace would follow on the frontiers, to be followed by withdrawal of troops of both sides.

All prisoners are to be released and the Chinese promised to disarm the White Guard Russians. Full restoration of diplomatic relations will not be brought about until after a conference that will open to Moscow on January 25 for the settlement of all outstanding questions.

**G**ERMANY Nationalists made a dismal failure of their latest attempt to prevent adoption of the Young Republicans plan. In a public referendum their bill "against the establishment of the German people" which would have the Young plan rejected, failed to obtain more than one-tenth of the vote required to give it effect. The referendum last November rejected a similar measure by an overwhelming majority.

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**H**ENRY D. CLAYTON, who wrote a number of congress framed the anti-trust act that bears his name, died at his home in Montgomery, after an illness of three weeks. He was seventy-two years old and was serving as a judge of the middle district of Alabama.

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A. E. Martin

**K**appy New Year, 1936

THE NEW LEAF

"What has been written shall remain. Nor be erased, nor written over again. The unwritten only still remains to thee. Take heed and ponder well what that may be."

HIT OR MISS

The local weather prophet missed the blizzard this time when he said the snow would be all gone by the last of December, but the last few days of the month began to make it look as though he would not be so far from the mark after all—the weather man doing his best to help out the prophecy by furnishing remarkably mild weather for this time

of year, and even adding a little rain Tuesday—but New Year's day there was still plenty of the "beautiful" in evidence, although here and there were patches of the bare ground showing through. Perhaps if the volunteer crew who removed the snow from the center of the main street, a couple of Sundays ago had kept on the job a little longer the weather prophet might have made good, for the snow certainly disappeared like magic while they were exercising.

As evidence of the rather "freakish" weather all over the country comes the story from the "Sunny South" that New Orleans has recently experienced freezing weather which caused icicles to form on the trees and on telephone and trolley wires, this being the first time that many citizens of nature's age had ever seen natural ice in that form, and even the oldest inhabitants had to go back a long way on memory's highway to find a similar incident.

YESTERDAY AND TODAY

The Space Filler received a greeting card from California last week titled "Christmas—Yesterday and Today." The illustrations cannot be reproduced here, but the word pictures of the past and present are so "pat" that they are passed along to the readers of this column:

"Thirty years ago, we remember: When hens were 25¢ apiece; eggs were two dozen for 15¢; butter 1¢ a pound; the butch raved away liver and treated the kids to bologna. Women didn't smoke, vote, play poker, or dance the Black Bottom. Men wore whiskers and hats, chewed tobacco, spit on the sidewalks and cursed. Beer was 5¢ a mug and lunch was free. Laborers worked 10 hours a day and never went on a strike. No tips were given to waiters. A kerosene lamp and a stereoscope in the parlor were the height of luxury. No one ever heard of calories, microbes, or were ever operated on for appendicitis or bought glands. Folks lived to a good old age, and walked miles to visit their friends."

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

"Today, you know—Everybody rides in automobiles, or flies; plays golf, bridge, or shoots craps; goes to the movies nightly; listens to grand opera over the radio; plays the piano with his feet; smokes cigarettes, drinks hooch; blames the H. C. of L. on his neighbors; never goes to bed the same day he gets up; and makes himself believe he is having a 'whoopie' time. These are the days of suffragette, profiteering, rent hops, excess taxes, and prohibition.

If you think life is worth living it is a pleasure to extend to you

A HAPPY NEW YEAR"

GREETING CARDS

The writer read an article in his old home town paper in which the editor took the ground that sending greeting cards was a needless waste of cash that might better be otherwise expended, and said that his wife and himself had decided to turn over what they usually spend for cards to a charitable society for distribution to the needy. (The Space Filler's expenditure for greeting cards would not buy many turkey dinners for the deserving poor, at the present price per pound of those noble birds.)

But there is also to be taken into consideration the employment of thousands of artists and artisans in producing these cards, the enormous amount of revenue derived by Uncle Sam for their distribution which should help toward diminishing or wiping out the annual deficit of the post office department—and last, but not least, ninety-nine out of every hundred persons derive much pleasure from sending and receiving these tokens of friendship. The writer received cards from nearly every point of the compass and would not like to dispense with a single one, and yet none of them gave him more pleasure than the card he received from Grayling—perhaps because it was the only one from this village, and unexpected.

We shall withhold judgment until we get all the facts. Just possibly Russia signed the Kellogg treaty thinking it was the expressman's receipt for a parcel or something.

Read your home paper.

Sober, the for the Avalanche

## HUNTING TRAPPING SEASON CLOSED

After midnight, January 1, practically all hunting and trapping seasons on protected animals and birds in the lower peninsula are closed until next fall.

In the upper peninsula, however, the rabbit season remains open until midnight on January 31.

The game species which may not be hunted after today in the lower peninsula are rabbits, coots, ducks, geese, brants, and Wilson snipe. Muskrat trapping, which was lawful in the southern third of the State, closed at midnight Tuesday.

The lower peninsula open season for rabbits was made a month shorter this fall and winter than it was in 1928. Long open seasons have taken an excessive toll of cottontails in parts of southern Michigan and it is hoped by the Department of Conservation that the shorter season will conserve the rabbit stock and result in a greater abundance of bunnies next fall.

According to reports the fall migration of ducks has been somewhat erratic. Although the Department, as usual, is receiving complaints of scarcity of ducks, during the past season a great many hunters met with excellent success.

Last fall about 525 bands were placed on wild ducks at Dodge Bros. Munising State Park. To date over 70 of these banded birds have been shot and the band numbers reported to the Department. Most of these have been killed in Michigan, Wisconsin, and Ontario. From states farther south a few more returns are expected. Any Michigan hunters who secured such bands and who have not reported them are urged to do so, for such records give much needed information about duck migrations in Michigan.

Michigan hunters spend \$15.00 for hunting equipment, supplies, etc., for every \$1.00 they spend for a license to maintain and protect game.

## FEAR

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK  
Dean of Men, University of Michigan

## FREDERIC NEWS

Mrs. Layman, an old resident of Frederic, died last week at Chicago.

Ed. Barber returned home to Chicago Heights after eating Christmas dinner at home.

Roy Wells and Jimmie Wilson got fox last week—a dandy.

Mrs. Fox and son Arthur are getting settled in their new home.

Mrs. Charles Norton of Lansing has been home for the holidays.

Kenneth Burk Hart has been visiting here with his mother's family, the Charrons.

Mrs. Earl's brother has returned to his home in Washington state.

John Willis—who is afflicted, having had a light stroke, is able to walk with the aid of a cane.

Grandma Flagg is gaining in health under the influence of Mrs. McCracken's cooking.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Allen had their daughter and husband for the holidays from South Boardman.

Mr. Leeman will resume his duties at the schoolhouse in the near future, having taken a vacation for his health.

We are wiser now, as we have grown up or have come to understand the laws of nature, but everywhere we can still see how fear, useless, unintelligent, pugnacious, almost still handicaps and holds men back from success, from happiness, from accomplishing the best that is in them.

Gordon is afraid of his boss. When he meets him he is thrown into a state of little self-consciousness. When he is sent for he goes trembling wondering what has happened and what the penalty is likely to be. Fear puts him always at a disadvantage, paralyzes his tongue, strips his brain and makes him appear like a veritable fool. And yet he has more brains and more ability than his boss; only fear ruins him.

George is afraid of his wife. She is a person of huge dimensions; she blusters and talks in a loud, threatening voice. She checks him up at every move he attempts to make, and rather than have a row she allows himself to be browbeaten and cowed. He could manage her if he would only once take a firm stand, and then might be much happier than they are, but fear inhibits him in every tendency to assert himself.

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